CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method of providing names of computer malwares, comprising the
- 2 steps of:
- 3 receiving a sample of a computer malware;
- 4 scanning the computer malware using a plurality of anti-virus scanners, at
- 5 least some of the anti-virus scanners generating information identifying the
- 6 computer malware; and
- 7 compiling the generated information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the information identifying the computer
- 2 malware comprises a name of the computer malware.
- 1 3. The method of claim 2, wherein the computer malware comprises at least
- 2 one of a computer virus, a computer worm, or a computer Trojan horse program.
- 1 4. The method of claim 3, further comprising the step of:
- 2 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware.

- 1 5. The method of claim 4, further comprising the step of:
- displaying the compiled information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 6. The method of claim 4, wherein the anti-virus scanner comprises a stand-
- 2 alone scanner.
- 1 7. The method of claim 4, wherein the anti-virus scanner comprises scanner
- 2 functionality of a complete anti-virus program.
- 1 8. The method of claim 4, wherein the sample of the computer malware
- 2 comprises a copy of a file that has been identified as infected with a malware.
- 1 9. The method of claim 4, wherein the sample of the computer malware
- 2 comprises an isolated copy of a malware.
- 1 10. The method of claim 1, wherein the information identifying the computer
- 2 malware comprises a plurality of names of the computer malware, each name
- 3 generated by a different anti-virus scanner.

- 1 11. The method of claim 10, wherein the computer malware comprises at
- 2 least one of a computer virus, a computer worm, or a computer Trojan horse
- 3 program.
- 1 12. The method of claim 11, further comprising the step of:
- 2 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 13. The method of claim 12, further comprising the step of:
- displaying the compiled information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 14. The method of claim 12, wherein the anti-virus scanner comprises a
- 2 stand-alone scanner.
- 1 15. The method of claim 12, wherein the anti-virus scanner comprises
- 2 scanner functionality of a complete anti-virus program.
- 1 16. The method of claim 12, wherein the sample of the computer malware
- 2 comprises a copy of a file that has been identified as infected with a malware.

- 1 17. The method of claim 12, wherein the sample of the computer malware
- 2 comprises an isolated copy of a malware.
- 1 18. The method of claim 12, wherein the step of receiving a sample of a
- 2 computer malware comprises the step of:
- 3 receiving the sample of the computer malware at a Web site.
- 1 19. The method of claim 18, wherein the step of transmitting the compiled
- 2 information identifying the computer malware comprises the step of:
- 3 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware
- 4 from the Web site.
- 1 20. The method of claim 12, wherein the step of receiving a sample of a
- 2 computer malware comprises the step of:
- 3 receiving the sample of the computer malware at an automated email
- 4 client via email.
- 1 21. The method of claim 20, wherein the step of transmitting the compiled
- 2 information identifying the computer malware comprises the step of:

- 3 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware
- 4 from the automated email client via email.
- 1 22. A system for providing names of computer malwares comprising:
- a processor operable to execute computer program instructions;
- a memory operable to store computer program instructions executable
- 4 by the processor; and
- 5 computer program instructions stored in the memory and executable to
- 6 perform the steps of:
- 7 receiving a sample of a computer malware;
- 8 scanning the computer malware using a plurality of anti-virus scanners, at
- 9 least some of the anti-virus scanners generating information identifying the
- 10 computer malware; and
- compiling the generated information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 23. The system of claim 22, wherein the information identifying the computer
- 2 malware comprises a name of the computer malware.
- 1 24. The system of claim 23, wherein the computer malware comprises at least
- 2 one of a computer virus, a computer worm, or a computer Trojan horse program.

- 1 25. The system of claim 24, further comprising the step of:
- 2 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 26. The system of claim 25, further comprising the step of:
- 2 displaying the compiled information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 27. The system of claim 25, wherein the anti-virus scanner comprises a stand-
- 2 alone scanner.
- 1 28. The system of claim 25, wherein the anti-virus scanner comprises scanner
- 2 functionality of a complete anti-virus program.
- 1 29. The system of claim 25, wherein the sample of the computer malware
- 2 comprises a copy of a file that has been identified as infected with a malware.
- 1 30. The system of claim 25, wherein the sample of the computer malware
- 2 comprises an isolated copy of a malware.

- 1 31. The system of claim 22, wherein the information identifying the computer
- 2 malware comprises a plurality of names of the computer malware, each name
- 3 generated by a different anti-virus scanner.
- 1 32. The system of claim 31, wherein the computer malware comprises at least
- 2 one of a computer virus, a computer worm, or a computer Trojan horse program.
- 1 33. The system of claim 32, further comprising the step of:
- 2 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 34. The system of claim 33, further comprising the step of:
- 2 displaying the compiled information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 35. The system of claim 33, wherein the anti-virus scanner comprises a stand-
- 2 alone scanner.
- 1 36. The system of claim 33, wherein the anti-virus scanner comprises scanner
- 2 functionality of a complete anti-virus program.

- 1 37. The system of claim 33, wherein the sample of the computer malware
- 2 comprises a copy of a file that has been identified as infected with a malware.
- 1 38. The system of claim 3, wherein the sample of the computer malware
- 2 comprises an isolated copy of a malware.
- 1 39. The system of claim 33, wherein the step of receiving a sample of a
- 2 computer malware comprises the step of:
- receiving the sample of the computer malware at a Web site.
- 1 40. The system of claim 39, wherein the step of transmitting the compiled
- 2 information identifying the computer malware comprises the step of:
- 3 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware
- 4 from the Web site.
- 1 41. The system of claim 33, wherein the step of receiving a sample of a
- 2 computer malware comprises the step of:
- 3 receiving the sample of the computer malware at an automated email
- 4 client via email.

1 42. The system of claim 41, wherein the step of transmitting the compiled

- 2 information identifying the computer malware comprises the step of:
- 3 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware
- 4 from the automated email client via email.
- 1 43. A computer program product for providing names of computer malwares,
- 2 comprising:
- a computer readable medium;
- 4 computer program instructions, recorded on the computer readable
- 5 medium, executable by a processor, for performing the steps of
- 6 receiving a sample of a computer malware;
- 7 scanning the computer malware using a plurality of anti-virus scanners, at
- 8 least some of the anti-virus scanners generating information identifying the
- 9 computer malware; and
- compiling the generated information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 44. The computer program product of claim 43, wherein the information
- 2 identifying the computer malware comprises a name of the computer malware.

1 45. The computer program product of claim 44, wherein the computer

2 malware comprises at least one of a computer virus, a computer worm, or a

3 computer Trojan horse program.

1 46. The computer program product of claim 45, further comprising the step

2 of:

3 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware.

1 47. The computer program product of claim 46, further comprising the step

2 of:

displaying the compiled information identifying the computer malware.

1 48. The computer program product of claim 46, wherein the anti-virus

2 scanner comprises a stand-alone scanner.

1 49. The computer program product of claim 46, wherein the anti-virus

2 scanner comprises scanner functionality of a complete anti-virus program.

1 50. The computer program product of claim 46, wherein the sample of the

2 computer malware comprises a copy of a file that has been identified as infected

- 3 with a malware.
- 1 51. The computer program product of claim 46, wherein the sample of the
- 2 computer malware comprises an isolated copy of a malware.
- 1 52. The computer program product of claim 43, wherein the information
- 2 identifying the computer malware comprises a plurality of names of the computer
- 3 malware, each name generated by a different anti-virus scanner.
- 1 53. The computer program product of claim 52, wherein the computer
- 2 malware comprises at least one of a computer virus, a computer worm, or a
- 3 computer Trojan horse program.
- 1 54. The computer program product of claim 53, further comprising the step
- 2 of:
- transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware.

1 55. The computer program product of claim 54, further comprising the step

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- 2 of:
- displaying the compiled information identifying the computer malware.
- 1 56. The computer program product of claim 55, wherein the anti-virus
- 2 scanner comprises a stand-alone scanner.
- 1 57. The computer program product of claim 55, wherein the anti-virus
- 2 scanner comprises scanner functionality of a complete anti-virus program.
- 1 58. The computer program product of claim 55, wherein the sample of the
- 2 computer malware comprises a copy of a file that has been identified as infected
- 3 with a malware.
- 1 59. The computer program product of claim 55, wherein the sample of the
- 2 computer malware comprises an isolated copy of a malware.
- 1 60. The computer program product of claim 55, wherein the step of receiving
- 2 a sample of a computer malware comprises the step of:
- 3 receiving the sample of the computer malware at a Web site.

- 1 61. The computer program product of claim 60, wherein the step of
- 2 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware
- 3 comprises the step of:
- 4 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware
- 5 from the Web site.
- 1 62. The computer program product of claim 55, wherein the step of receiving
- 2 a sample of a computer malware comprises the step of:
- 3 receiving the sample of the computer malware at an automated email
- 4 client via email.
- 1 63. The computer program product of claim 62, wherein the step of
- 2 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware
- 3 comprises the step of:
- 4 transmitting the compiled information identifying the computer malware
- 5 from the automated email client via email.